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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Richard A. ESSER et al.			)	Group Art Unit: 3727	
Application No.: 09/689,615			)	Examiner: Castellano, S.	
Filed:	Octob	per 13, 2000	)		
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Sir:					
TRANSMITTAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPEAL BRIEF PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.193(b)(ii)					
Transmitted herewith in triplicate is the SUPPLEMENTAL APPEAL BRIEF in this					
application in response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2003. Appellants request					
that the fees paid for the Notice of Appeal filed February 25, 2003, and Appeal Brief					
filed June 25, 2003, be applied to this Supplemental Appeal Brief (see M.P.E.P. §					
1208.	02).				
	This application is on behalf of				
	$\boxtimes$	Small Entity	Large E	intity	
	Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(c), the fee for filing the Supplemental Appeal Brief is:				
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As explained, Appellants request that the fee of \$160.00 (Small Entity) previously paid for the Appeal Brief filed June 25, 2003, be applied to this Supplemental Appeal Brief.<sup>1</sup>

PETITION FOR EXTENSION. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this Supplemental Appeal Brief, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension or for any other appropriate fees for filing this Supplemental Appeal Brief to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: March 1, 2004

Michael L. Woods Reg. No. 50,811

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.17(b) and (c) have increased from \$320.00 to \$330.00 on October 1, 2003 (\$160.00 to \$165.00 for Small Entity). Because Appellants are entitled to reinstate the Appeal Brief filed on June 25, 2003, Appellants request that the difference between the fees be waived. Should, however, these fees not be waived, Appellants authorize the Commissioner to charge any remaining balance to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.